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DOCKETS MANAGEMENT BRANCH (HFA-305)
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5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061
Rockville, MD 20852

Docket Numbers: 98N-1230; 96P-0418; 97P-0197.

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of our members I am writing to request the FDA to ban the forced molting of laying hens which not only represents a brutality to living creatures but is a definite health hazard to humans.

It is not enough to put Bacteria labels on egg cartons and regulate egg refrigeration temperatures. The FDA has jurisdiction to ban farm practices such as forced molting which promotes disease by destroying the hens' immune systems and is a primary cause of infectious diseases in hens, eggs and consumers of eggs.

We are asking the FDA to grant the petition of April 1998 to ban forced molting without further delay, thus putting a stop to both this barbaric treatment of chickens and its accompanying health hazard to humans.

Sincerely,

Guila B. Manchester

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Secretary

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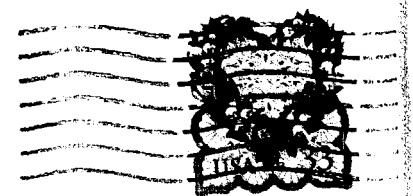


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